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Executive Director

Sheriff Bill Brown
Office of the Sheriff, Santa Barbara County
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Dear Sheriff Brown:

I am writing in response to your letter dated January 29, 2016 regarding the Pay for Success Grant Program, which was authorized by Assembly Bill 1837 (Ch. 802, Stats. 2014). In your letter, you requested that the Board of State and Community Corrections (Board) either allow for an extension of time to file an application so that your county could receive additional information on how the grant program would operate or, in the alternative, to have the Board set up a process to study how the Pay for Success Grant Program could operate, taking into account county fiscal restraints and requirements.

We understand that the Pay for Success Grant Program is a relatively new concept for California, but at this time, we are unable to accommodate your request. The due date for proposals was February 1, 2016 and the Board has already received several responsive proposals. In addition, the funds set aside by the Legislature to effectuate AB 1837 must be encumbered before the end of June 2016. Consequently, although we appreciate your county's interest in participating in the program, given the timing of the Request for Proposals process and the number of counties that have already applied, we believe any delay could undermine the ability of the Board to award the currently available funds.

Thank you for your interest in the Pay for Success Grant Program. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

LINDA M. PENNER

Chair